

Best Idea...Fellowship Strategy for Adult Small Groups

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Goal: Deepen relationships / reclaim inactive members / recruit new members.
The fellowship event is a strategic tool used to bring the entire group together.

How often should we have a small group fellowship?

Plan one every 4-6 weeks and 10-12 per year. Be sure you take advantage of the warmer months.... May - September. You should plan one fellowship a month during this period of time. Use the fellowship as a strategy to strengthen the small group by reaching out to members and prospects. **The fellowship is not meet and eat; it is a ministry event with a purpose.**

Who should we invite to our small group fellowships....

- All small group members
- All potential members (prospects)
- In-active members (there are a number of people on the group roll that do not attend regularly)
- In-service members (these are group members teaching/working in another area on Sunday and are not able to attend your small group)
- Optional: General Adult Leaders, Staff, etc.

Guidelines for planning a small group fellowship...

- Choose your date in advance. Place on the small group calendar so everyone knows the date and publicize the event on Facebook / group web page.
- Send invitations - RSVP / Follow up by phone, email and or text. Recruit everyone!
- Be sure to RECRUIT potential, in-active and In-service members EVERY time!
- Choose a theme. Make it fun. Be creative! (The Dollar Tree has great inexpensive decorations)
- Play games / do activities that allow your small group to build relationships.
- Always include a brief spiritual moment at the end.
- Make sure **EVERYONE has a good time**.
- Everyone is together - don't let anyone feel alone or left out.